

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

ENTERED

September 13, 2018

David J. Bradley, Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CRIMINAL NO. H- 17-431-01

STEPHEN P. LYNCH,

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§**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT**

If you have not completely waived your right to appeal in your plea agreement, you have a right to appeal your conviction and the sentence imposed under certain circumstances. 18 U.S.C. § 3742(a).

A notice of appeal must be filed with the district clerk within fourteen (14) days after the entry of the judgment of conviction or other order from which you want to appeal. If you seek to file the appeal without an attorney, you must sign the notice personally. The form of the notice of appeal is Form 1 in the Court of Appeals' Appendix of Forms.

If you want, the district clerk will prepare and file the notice of appeal for you, but you must make the request during the fourteen (14) day period after entry of the judgment of conviction.

A notice of appeal must state the judgment or order being appealed and that you are appealing to the Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

You also will have to identify the documents, exhibits, transcripts and anything else in the criminal case that are not already on file that you believe need to be included in the record by the court reporter. This identification must be made within fourteen (14) days after filing the notice of appeal.

If you are represented by paid counsel, but cannot pay the cost of appeal, you can ask the court for permission to appeal *in forma pauperis* (without paying costs) ("IFP"). Your application to appeal IFP must be filed with the district clerk within the fourteen (14) day period after filing the notice of appeal. If you proceeded in the district court IFP and the court appointed an attorney for you, you may proceed on appeal IFP *without* further authorization unless the court certifies in writing that you are not entitled to do so.

SIGNED at Houston, Texas, this 12th day of September, 2018.


NANCY F. ATLAS
SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE